

East Glendalough School

School Uniform

The following is the list of the official school uniform:

All Pupils

East Glendalough School jumper (navy for 1st-4th Year, green for 5th/6th Year)

Optional School Hoodie

Pupils should be aware that a hoodie or other top may NOT be worn during class time instead of a jumper.

Boys

White shirt (formal, not aertex)

East Glendalough School tie

Plain mid-grey trousers

Grey or black socks

Formal plain black shoes (not sports shoes or other canvas shoes)

Girls

White blouse with revere collar

Plain mid-grey knee-length skirt or plain mid-grey trousers

Grey or black socks or tights

Formal plain low-heeled black shoes (not sports shoes or other canvas shoes)

Sports/P.E. Clothing

- Suitable sports clothing and footwear must be worn.
- Additional items, such as football boots, may be required in some sports.
- Sports teams representing the school will be provided kit through the school. These are obligatory only when representing the school in competitions/matches. Some items will need to be purchased; others are lent out to the students and returned after use.
- Students may be required to wear other protective equipment (gumshield, shinpads, etc) for some activities.

Purchase

All East Glendalough School uniform will be available for sale from Kaideen Knitwear Mobile Shop in the School on dates in May and August (Friday 11 August and Friday 18 August, both 4.30-5.30pm). Outside of the times mentioned above, it will not be possible to purchase items of uniform in school (except for ties) - parents should contact the supplier directly (*see leaflet enclosed*).

Some general items may be purchased at the shop of your choice but must match the uniform identically.

Wearing the uniform

Complete school uniform must be worn in school, on the way to and from school, and at official school functions. A spare set of uniform may be necessary to facilitate this, but losing items of clothing will not be considered a good enough excuse for failing to arrive properly dressed.

Failure to wear the correct uniform may result in a student being asked to stay out of school or receiving some other sanction. Parents are requested to ensure that their son(s)/daughter(s) come to school in complete uniform.

Extreme hairstyles, excessive jewellery or make-up and hair-colouring (other than a very slight enhancement of the natural colour) will not be permitted.

The decision of the Principal or Deputy-Principal in the interpretation of these rules will be final.

Some notes on Uniform and Appropriate Dress

Parents will appreciate that we wish to maintain the highest standards in East Glendalough School. If things become sloppy in this regard, standards will drift in other areas as well. Please take note of the following points.

Essentials

Boys **MUST** always have a school tie and all students need to have a jumper as well as the appropriate other clothing.

You are strongly advised to purchase a spare set of the uniform. Losing property is not a good enough excuse for turning up to school in the wrong clothing. If shoes, trousers, etc are temporarily lost or in the wash, a spare set should be worn. If pupils don't have a spare set, they should borrow a spare set. It's up to them to turn up to school properly dressed.

Lost Property

Parents/Guardians are **STRONGLY** advised to **NAME** their children's clothing clearly, legibly and permanently. Every year a large number of jumpers turn up in Lost Property unnamed. Parents are then hit for the expensive cost of purchasing new jumpers. (Any spare jumpers will be sold off cheaply in the school when uniform is being given out before next term.) Next year we will be monitoring the wearing of jumpers closely. Pupils need to take more care of their jumpers and to recover them from Lost Property if they misplace them. Naming uniform helps.

Eyebrow studs or other body piercing

One nose stud may be permitted for 5th and 6th Year students. No other facial piercings are permitted. A maximum of two ear piercings in each ear is permitted. No rings or bars of any description, in any location, are permitted on health and safety grounds. The School reserves the right to send students home for non-compliance in these matters.

Black school shoes

Formal black leather school shoes are mandatory. Pupils arriving in sports or canvas shoes are likely to be sent home.

Jewellery

Excessive jewellery is prohibited. One stud or sleeper may be worn in each ear.

Travel

Pupils are expected to travel to and from school in full school uniform. The only exception to this is that students who have Games in the afternoon may go home in sports clothes.

Ties

Rather than pupils getting into trouble for forgetting their tie, the school operates a system where ties are loaned out to pupils. However, this should not be viewed as a regular rental system - only very rarely should any pupil need to borrow a tie. A pupil will be charged €2 for borrowing a tie, and if the tie is not returned within 48 hours the parents will be sent an invoice for its full cost.

Hoodies

A School Hoodie was introduced in 2018 at the request of the Parents' Association. It may be worn to and from School, at break times and for School trips and sports. It is not a replacement for a School Jumper and may not be worn in class.

Hairstyles

The school tries not to make an issue out of hairstyles, but will refuse admission to anyone wearing a particularly excessive or unnatural hairstyle.